

would like to ask Senator Koch, I think, another question.

SENATOR KOCH: Is it all right, if I answer, Mr. Lieutenant Governor? Go ahead, Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Do you know what procedure is being followed in other states on this? I guess, basically, I like to retain my independence and not give out information but I concede in this day and age we have no secrecy at all in our...

SENATOR KOCH: Could you inquire of Senator DeCamp? He is more familiar with that than I am.

SENATOR KAHLE: Okay, Senator DeCamp, is this...

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR KAHLE: ...common in all the states now or what is going on?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, this bill is exactly what you are wanting. Some are misunderstanding. This bill doesn't compel you, basically, to give information. This gives you a right to refuse to be giving information, and then, the only way they can compel you is with a court order. Now like Senator Hefner brought up on something, what I called to check on that, he said. Normal business practices, the same things that are going on right now, will go on. It doesn't change that at all but it prevents that banker, for example, if he says, well, hey, look I don't know who you are or this is kind of confidential information. I am scared to turn it over without some authority or some documentation. At the present time in Nebraska, unlike most other states, he has no basis for refusing. He doesn't know where he stands. This just says if he does for some reason or other say, no, I am afraid I am going to get sued if I turn this over, he can refuse until somebody lays on his desk some order saying, yes, you have got to turn it over. So this is what you are wanting to protect that privacy.

SENATOR KAHLE: Okay, one other question, Senator, while you are up and that is, what would be the procedure, what would be the cost and how long would it take to get the court order? Do you have any idea?

SENATOR DeCAMP: It can be a very minor procedure or it could be an extensive procedure. You know, it would depend upon the facts of the certain case. IRS could march up to the court house and get the judge, I am sure, to sign the order but at least there would be some basis.

SENATOR KAHLE: Thank you. I think my concern is that we just told...am I still on? Is it on? Okay, I think my concern is that we just were talking a day or two about these husbands or whoever they might be that ran away from their families, how we could trace them through the social security and make them pay up and now we are wiring out anybody from checking on anyone else about their financial ability and I am just not sure that we should be doing this. We are suppose to be getting out in the open with everything. We, as State Senators, have to divulge where our income comes from. We are going to have to, everyone in government